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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

3. (amended) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein halogenated metal phthalocyanine catalyst used is selected from dichloro cobalt phthalocyanine and dibromo cobalt phthalocyanine.

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